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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6269

BILL NUMBER: SB 77

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 23, 2006

BILL AMENDED: Feb 21, 2006

SUBJECT: Shooting Preserves.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Heinold

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Heim

BILL STATUS: As Passed House

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill prohibits hunting or harvesting animals under a shooting preserve license after July 1, 2013. It establishes requirements to allow certain existing shooting preserves to continue to be granted a license. The bill prohibits releasing an animal in a shooting preserve after July 1, 2011. It prohibits establishing a shooting preserve within one mile (rather than five miles) of a state owned game refuge or state public hunting ground.

Effective Date: July 1, 2006.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) A person who possesses a shooting preserve license must provide documentation to the DNR that indicates that the person allowed hunting in the shooting preserve under a license in 2003, 2004, or 2005. Additionally, before July 1, 2011, a person who operates a shooting preserve must submit to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) a plan that outlines how all animals will be harvested or removed from the licensed shooting preserve. An animal may not be released into a shooting preserve after July 1, 2011. The DNR should be able to implement the above provisions given its existing level of resources.

Background: In 2006, the DNR issued 42 licenses to shooting preserves. Six additional shooting preserves would qualify based on location within one mile of a state-owned game refuge or a state public hunting ground.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: DNR.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Burgess Brown, Executive Office, DNR.

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